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Water-supply Scheme

* 2650 *Q.*—Sri A. RATNAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) the amount of subsidy granted by the Central Government for water-supply schemes in rural areas and protected water-supply schemes in major panchayats in the State this year;

(*b*) the grant by the State Government to the local bodies and panchayats on rural water-supply scheme; and

(*c*) the approximate cost of wells to be provided for the Harijans in the State?

The Hon. Sri A. B. SHETTY : (*a*) Rs. 29·7 lakhs for the year 1954–55.

(*b*) Rs. 36,43,843 for the year 1954–55.

(*c*) Rs. 15,46,770 for the year 1954–55.

Sri A. RATNAM : May I know the number of wells provided in Harijan colonies districtwar?

The Hon. Sri A. B. SHETTY : The number of wells sanctioned for Harijans from 1948–49 to 1953–54 is 2,759 and the cost is Rs. 39·44 lakhs. I have not got districtwar figures.

Water-supply to Perintalmanna Panchayat area

* 2651 *Q.*—Sri K. C. GOPALAN UNNI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether any representation was received by the Government from the public of Perintalmanna, through the Chief Minister in April 1955 regarding water-supply to the Perintalmanna Panchayat Area;

(*b*) whether the Chief Minister assured them that necessary action will be taken without delay; and

(*c*) if so, the action taken or proposed to be taken thereon?

The Hon. Sri A. B. SHETTY : (*a*) Yes, Sir.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) The matter is under consideration.

Sri K. KUNHI MOHAMED SHAFEE : May I know whether the Government have ordered the conducting of the necessary preliminary investigation and whether they have asked the concerned department to prepare the estimate so that the scheme could be implemented immediately?

Am I to repeat my question, Sir?

Mr. SPEAKER : No answer.